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the use of any kind of Commerce with G. B. I shall be heart in it, and I wish others may be so.

It certainly deserves notice that it is the very first time th praying that his Majesty and his Parliament may be inspire from above with wisdom Justice and moderation was eve thought derogatory to the honour of either of them especial in an established church, whose Liturgy proposes collects fo that very purpose and in words almost tantamount. I think th Gazettes should have published the resolves for a fast to shov the reason for the dissolution.

I am sorry I did not see my son John's hand to the associ ation as many not Burgesses had also signed it.

(To be continued.)

## RECORD OF THE PEAKED MOUNTAIN CHURCH.

Rockingham Co., Va.

(Continued from Vol. XIV, page 19, and concluded.)

| PARENTS.                                   | CHILDREN.                                                       | SPONSORS.                                     |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Adam Flauers<br>and Maria.                 | (281), daughter, born April 5,<br>1798, bapt. Nov. 11,<br>1798. | Eva Schuh.                                    |
| Peter Reusch<br>and Barbara.               | (282), daughter, born May 29,<br>1798, bapt. Nov. 11,<br>1798.  | Charles Reusch an<br>wife Mary Eliza<br>beth. |
| George Koehler<br>and Catherine.           | (283), daughter, born April 18,<br>1798, bapt. —.               | Jacob Reb and wif<br>Catherine.               |
| Frederick Ermen-<br>trout and Elizabeth.   | (284), Valentin, born Sept. 24,<br>bapt. Nov. 10, 1799.         | Augustin Ermen-<br>trout and wif<br>Margaret. |
| Julius Bertram<br>and Eva.                 | (285), John George, born Oct.<br>28, bapt. Nov. 10, 1799.       | George Melle an<br>wife Catherine.            |
| Daniel Nunne-<br>macher and Mary.          | (286), Jacob, born May 17,<br>1799.                             | Jacob Argebrecht.                             |
| Peter Reur<br>(Royers) and Eliza-<br>beth. | (287), Annie Maria, born Feb.<br>26, 1799.                      | Catherine Reyser.                             |
| Philip Rey(er)<br>and Catherine.           | (288), Philip, born July 6,<br>1799.                            | John Koeler.                                  |

- Peter Ayler (289), John, born Nov. 19, John Resch.  
(Eiler) and Eizabeth. 1798.
- Jacob Nicklaus (290), daughter, born May 28, Mary Risch.  
and Elizabeth. 1798.
- Jacob Nicklaus (291), Mary, born Sept. 8, Mary Risch.  
and Elizabeth. 1799, bapt. Nov. 10,  
1799.
- Francis Reinert (292), Polly, born Dec. 31, Elizabeth Schneider.  
1799, bapt. June 2, (16).  
1800.
- Jacog Eichelbrecht (293), Anna, born Dec. 19, Peter Mueller and  
(Elizabeth) and Mary. 1799, bapt. June 2, Barbara.  
1800.
- Henry Penns (294), John, born Dec. 13, John Penns.  
and Catherine. 1799, bapt. June 2,  
1800.
- Peter Zeller (295), Anna, born Nov. 2, Thomas Brill and  
and Magdalene. 1799, bapt. June 2, Anna Maria.  
1800.
- John Zeller (296), Anna Maria, born Jan. Anna Maria Zeller.  
and Eva. 1, 1800, bapt. June 2,  
1800.
- Peter Miller (297), Henry, born Jan. 18, Jacob Ergebrecht  
and Barbara. 1800, bapt. June 2, and wife Mary.  
1800.
- George Koehler (298), Elizabeth, born Oct. 21, Philip Reyer and  
and Catherine. 1799, bapt. June 2, Catherine.  
1800.
- Fr. Geiger (299), Catherine, born Feb. Christian Geiger and  
and Barbara. 17, 1800, bapt. June 2. Catherine.
- George Mallo (300), Anna, born March 26, Jacob Kisslnig and  
and Catherine. 1800, bapt. June 2, Barbara.  
1800.
- Jacob Nicklas<sup>16</sup> (301), George, born April 3, John Nicklas.  
and Elizabeth. 1801.
- August Ermen- (302), Immanuel, born June Christian Leucke and  
traut and Margaret. 15, 1801, bapt. Aug. 9. Elizabeth.
- Julius Bertram (303), Samuel, born 1801, bapt. Parents.  
and Eva. Aug. 9.
- Anthony Saur- (304), William, born May 9, George Panther  
bier and Catherine. 1801, bapt. Sept. 6. (Painter) and wife  
Sophia.
- John Zehrfass (305), William, born June, William Hederich  
and Elizabeth. 1801, bapt. Sept. 6. and wife Catherine.

- John Hehn (306), Catherine, born Aug. 4, Fred. Hehn, and  
and Dorothy. 1801, bapt. Sept. 6. wife Catherine.
- Peter Eiler (307), Oliver, born July 9, Peter Eyler and  
and Elizabeth. 1801, bapt. Aug. 16. Catherine.
- Fred Ermentraut (308), Matthew, born Sept. 8, George Ermentraut.  
and Barbara. 1801, bapt. Nov. 1,  
1801.
- Henry Christ (309), Sarah, born June 27, Peter Seich and  
and Catherine. 1801, bapt. Nov. 1, Margaret.  
1801.
- John Koehler (310), John Frederick, born Fred Hehn and  
and Barbara. Oct. 27, 1801, bapt. Catherine.  
Nov. 1, 1801.
- Peter Miller (311), Nicholast, born Oct. 28, Parents.  
and Barbara. 1801, bapt. Dec. 27,  
1801.
- Christian Becker (312), John, born. Feb. 22, Thomas Brill and  
bapt. April 16, 1802. wife.
- George Keller (313), John, born Jan. 26, bapt. John Keller and wife.  
April 16, 1802.
- Samuel Geret (314), Anna Catherine, born George Mueller and  
(Garriott) and Sarah. April 13, 1802, bapt. wife Catherine.  
June 13, 1802.
- Christopher Wet- (315), John Christopher, born John Beyer, and  
zel and Ursula. May 19, 1802, bapt. wife Eva.  
June 13, 1802.
- Henry Hoerner (316) John, born March 13, Henry Penns.  
and Elizabeth. 1802, bapt. June 13,  
1802.

### Marriages in 1762:

On March 2. Jacob Kropp (Cropp), son of Christian Kropp and Anna Barbara Metzger, daughter of George Valentine Metzger.

On March 2. Peter Mueller, son of Henry Mueller, and Margaret Kropp, daughter of Christian Kropp.

On October 4, 1762. George Schillinger, widower and Anna Elizabeth Horning, widow of Mr. Conrad Stehlmann.

On Dec. 7, 1762. George Adam Mann, single and Elizabeth Hermann, single.

On Saturday, Feb. 27, 1762 was received as member of this congregation, upon confession of her faith, Margaret Kropp (Cropp).

On Saturday, April 24, 1762 were confirmed and on Sunday, April 25th admitted to the Lord's Supper :

John Henry Ermentraut. (Armentrout.)

Catherine Gall wife of Jacob Guthmann, and Anna Barbara Diether (Dietrick).

Register of the catechisms, admitted for the first time to the Lord's Supper, on April 22, 1792 :

|                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Jacob Geiger,             | Frances Preiss,           |
| William Geiger,           | Catherine Preiss,         |
| Peter Mann,               | Elizabeth Reyer (Royers), |
| Philip Schaefer (Shaver), | Christina Baumann         |
| Michael Schaefer,         | (Benman),                 |
| Henry Pens (Pence),       | Mary Ermentraut,          |
| — — —,                    | Mary Schneyder (Snyder),  |
| Mary Preiss (Price),      | Elizabeth Schneyder,      |
|                           | Elizabeth Reyer, Jr.      |

The adult communicants were :

#### ELDERS :

|                          |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| George Mallo,            | Martin Schneider,      |
| Peter Mueller (Millers), | Peter Preiss (Price),  |
| John Ruesch,             | Julius Bertram,        |
| — — —,                   | Jacob Argenbrecht,     |
| Charles Ruesch,          | George Schaefer, Jr.,  |
| Augustin Preiss,         | Christopher Wirbel,    |
| George Schaefer,         | Augustin Ermentraut,   |
| Gottfried Spilk(y),      | John Reyer,            |
| Jacob Argebrecht,        | John Jacob Kirch,      |
| Conrad Schneider,        | Frederick Ermentraut,  |
| Christian Geiger,        | Jacob Schaefer,        |
| Frederick Geiger,        | Martin Kirsch,         |
| Catherine Mallo,         | Nicholas Beck,         |
| Elizabeth Wagner,        | Margaret Ermentraut,   |
| Barbara Mallo,           | Mary Elizabeth Ruesch, |
| Catherine Prett (Britt), | Catherine Ermentraut,  |
| Susanna Schaefer,        | Barbara Ermentraut,    |
| Mary Mueller,            | Anna Kirsch,           |
|                          | Margaret Geiger.       |

Register of the catechisms, first admitted to the Lord's Supper on October 19, 1794:

Peter Ahl,  
George Mallo,  
John Ruesch,  
Augustin Preuss,  
Conrad Biedefisch,  
John Weinberg,  
John Reyer,  
Peter Reyer,  
Christopher Wetzel,

Nicholas Neu,  
Catherine Mallo,  
Mary Elizabeth Reyer,  
Catherine Reyer,  
Catherine Biedefisch (Peterfish)  
Elizabeth Reyer,  
Elizabeth Luecke,  
Ann Maria Deschler,  
Elizabeth Meili,

Irene Preiss.

Register of the members of the Peaked Mountain congregation, who died and were buried in the grave yard of the church:

Elizabeth Schaefer (Shaver), born Nov. 21, 1727, died Nov. 6, 1795; buried on the 8th inst. Her age was 17 yrs. 11 mos. 16 days.

Susanna Schaefer, born Sept. 30, 1770, died Nov. 12, 1795; buried on the 14th inst. Her age was 25 yrs. 1 mo. 11 days.

Sarah Schaefer, born July 12, 1782, died Nov. 23, 1795; buried on the 25th inst. Her age was 13 yrs. 4 mos. 11 days.

John Michael Schaefer, born Febr. 6, 1774, died Nov. 25, 1795; buried on the (27th). His age 21 yrs. 9 mos. 18 days.

William Geiger, born June 30, 1776, died Dec. 20, (1795) buried Dec. 22. His age 19 yrs. 6 mos. 20 days.

Elizabeth Ementraut (Amentraut), born in 1725, died Oct. 7, 1795; buried on the 8th inst. Her age was 70 years.

Conrad Schneider, born Dec. 10, 1715, died October 7; buried Oct. 9th. His age was 79 yrs. 10 mos. 3 days.

Anna Maria Risch, born eight days ago; died Feb. 2, 1796.

George Wagner, born 1792, died Dec. 7, 1796, buried Dec. 8th.

Barbara Mallo, born Sept. 26, 1726; died Jan. 17, 1797, buried on the 19th. Her age 70 yrs. 3 mos. 22 days.

Register of the children, who were admitted to the Lord's Supper for the first time in the church at the Peaked Mt. on Easter of 1796:

John Bentz (Pence),  
 Henry Bentz,  
 — — —,  
 Catherine Risch (Rush),  
 Polly Risch,  
 Margaret Hein,  
 Elizabeth Rusch,  
 Elizabeth Brecht (Britt),

Eva Bertram,  
 Elizabeth Risch,  
 Barbara Ermentraut,  
 Emilia Schneider,  
 Susanna Geiger,  
 Elizabeth Bentz,  
 Bessy Schmidt (Smith),  
 Catherine Spreckelsen.

At the same time the following members attended the communion :

George Mallo and wife,  
 Peter Miller,  
 Augustin Geruss,  
 Matthias Kirsch,  
 Charles Risch and wife,  
 George Eller,  
 Peter Reier,  
 Christopher Werbel,  
 Frederick Ermentraut,  
 Philip Schaefer,  
 Gottfried Spilke,  
 Christopher Ermentraut and wife,  
 John Ermentraut,  
 Catherine Singel,

Frederick Geiger and wife,  
 Nicholas Becker (Baker),  
 Julius Bertram,  
 Jacob Risch,  
 Catherine Schu(h),  
 Dorothy Kirsch,  
 John Risch,  
 Catherine Herman,  
 Catherine Brecht,  
 Barbara Mallo,  
 Christina Herman,  
 Catherine Weber,  
 Martin Schneider,  
 Christian Geiger.

On October 16th (1799) the following members communed :

Matthias Kirsch and wife,  
 Charles Risch and wife,  
 John Risch and three daughters,  
 John Algebrecht (Argenbriht),  
 Nicholas Peck,  
 Matthias Schneider,  
 Julius Bertram and wife,  
 John Ermentraut,  
 Philip Reyer and wife,  
 Daniel Nunnemacher  
 (Moneymaker),  
 George Kochler and wife,  
 Jacob Fries (Frease),  
 Gottfried Spilky,

George Schaefer and wife,  
 Elizabeth Licky (Luecke),  
 Margaret Manger,  
 Juliana Nicolas,  
 Catherine Lingel,  
 Elizabeth Wagner,  
 Elizabeth Meinensten.  
 Elizabeth Koentg,  
 Catherine Ermentraut,  
 Catherine Weber,  
 George Mallo and wife,  
 Christina Herman,  
 Barbara Mallo,  
 Peter Miller.

## Communicants on April 16, (1797) :

|                                 |                             |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Peter Risch and wife,           | Philip Schaefer,            |
| Charles Risch,                  | Matthias Kirsch,            |
| Christopher Kirchloff,          | John Bentz,                 |
| Gottfried Spilky,               | Elizabeth Bentz,            |
| John Penter, wife and daughter, | Elizabeth Koenig,           |
| Martin Schneider,               | Catherine Weber,            |
| Julius Bertram and wife,        | Emilie Geiger,              |
| Philip Lange (Long) and wife,   | Margaret Heyn,              |
| John Rish and two daughters,    | Catherine Ryer,             |
| Elizabeth Euler (Eiler),        | Barbara Ermentraut,         |
| Nicholas Peck,                  | George (?) Wagner and wife, |
| Jacob Kirsch and wife,          | George Mallo and wife,      |
| Daniel Nunnemacher and wife,    | Peter Miller,               |
| Peter Ryer,                     | Christina Herman,           |
|                                 | Catherine Speeckelsen.      |

Register of the couples married in the congregation at the  
Peaked Mountain, from Nov. 15, 1795-Nov 15, 1796:

D. C. STOCK, Minister.

Jacob Schaefer & the daughter of Peter Bietefisch, (Peterfish) on June 27.

On Sept. 6th were married: The widower Christian Geiger, Sr., and widow Dindore. (Dundore).

On September 30: George Schaefer and Elizabeth Vogt, daughter of Martin Vogt, elder at Peter Ermentraut's church.

On September 25th: Christian Geiger & Emilia Schmidt.

Rockingham County, Peaked Mountain Church, October 25, 1785. The two deacons, Augustine Prisch (Price) and John Risch (Rush) rendered to-day in the presence of the undersigned an account of the money belonging to church and school and there remains in the treasury £2 8s. —p.

This we testify by our signatures:

CHARLES SCHMIDT, Schoolmaster.

PETER NICKLAS,

ADAM HERRMANN.

This certifies that on January 2, 1802 an account was rendered by the deacons, Christian Geiger, Martin Schneider,

John Seitz and Jacob Nicolaus, and there remain in the hands of George Mallo five pounds, which his mother presented for the use of the church.

GEORGE MALLO,  
JACOB ENGENBRECHT,  
PETER NICHOLAS.

<sup>16</sup>"The baptisms after June, 1800, were most probably entered by the Rev. John Brown, who was licensed by the Reformed Synod at York, Pa., on May 12, 1800, on application from the congregations in Rockingham, county. He served the congregation from 1800 to 1850. The Reformed pastors before Rev. Mr. Brown were no doubt the same as those of the neighboring Frieden's Church, in whose record, begun in July, 1786, we find the following names: 'Andrew Loretz, Bernhard Willy, Daniel Hoffmann and Johannes Brauns.' Rev. Andrew Loretz, Jr., was pastor in Lincoln county, N. C., from 1786 to 1812. From there he visited Virginia. The ministry of Mr. Bernard Willy began in 1791. He resided in Woodstock, Va. Rev. Daniel Hoffmann began in 1797, and continued to serve the congregation for two years."

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## EDMUND RUFFIN'S VISIT TO JOHN TYLER.

Edmund Ruffin was born in Prince George County, Jan. 5, 1794. In 1810-1812, he attended William and Mary College. He served in the Legislature of Virginia; was Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture; Agricultural Surveyor of South Carolina; for many years was President of the Virginia Agricultural Society, and was the editor of the "Farmer's Register," from 1833-1842. He made many improvements in the practice of farming, and acquired reputation as the foremost agriculturist in the South. He pressed the importance of the rotation of crops according to the five field plan, the importance of blind ditches, and the value of leguminous crops in recuperating land; and was the discoverer of the value of marl as a fertilizer of poor soil. Much of the land in Eastern Virginia had become worn out by constant cultivation, but the adoption of Mr. Ruffin's suggestions speedily restored the soil to its original fertility, and in the period from 1845-1861 millions of dollars were added to the value of Virginia lands. About 1855, Mr. Ruffin gave up farming, and after reserving about \$25,000 to his own use he divided the rest of his estate amounting to about \$175,000 among his children. He had begun life with a comparatively small estate, and by his improved methods of farming had increased it to the large amount of \$200,000. Mr. Ruffin had always taken a